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**STATEMENT OF STATUS/SUPPORT FOR
CHANGES TO CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.73(c))**

Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request that this Statement of Status/Support for claim changes be entered into the file for the above-identified application.

Claim Status

The status of all patent claims and of all added claims as of this communication is as follows.

Claim No.	Status
1-69	Pending

Support For Changes Made To The Claims

The support in the disclosure of U.S. Patent No. 6,279,298 for the changes made to the claims (*i.e.*, new claims 17-69) is found in at least the following sections of the '298 patent.

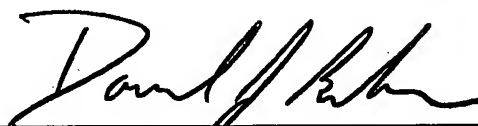
Claim No.	Support For Addition
17	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 5, lines 4-8
18	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 3, lines 56-65
19	FIG. 2; column 4, lines 27-33
20	FIG. 2; column 4, lines 34-37
21	Column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
22	FIG. 2; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
23	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
24	FIG. 2; column 4, lines 27-37
25	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
26	FIG. 2; column 3, line 40
27	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 3, lines 56-65; column 5, lines 53-61
28	FIG. 2; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
29	FIGS. 1, 2 and 5B; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 4
30	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 1-4; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, line 46, to column 5, line 8; column 5, lines 13-19
31	FIG. 2; column 3, line 40
32	FIG. 5A; column 4, lines 50-56
33	FIGS. 5A and 5B; column 5, lines 53-62
34	FIG. 2; column 3, lines 50-55
35	FIG. 2; column 3, lines 56-65
36	FIG. 2; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
37	FIG. 1; column 4, lines 8-26

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38	Column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
39	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 4
40	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 11
41	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 11
42	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
43	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, lines 27-37
44	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, lines 27-33
45	FIG. 5A; column 4, lines 51-55
46	FIG. 5A; column 4, lines 51-63
47	FIG. 5A; column 5, lines 13-16
48	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 8-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
49	FIG. 2; column 4, lines 27-33
50	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, lines 27-33
51	FIG. 5A; column 4, lines 51-55
52	FIG. 5A; column 4, lines 51-63
53	FIG. 5A; column 5, lines 13-16
54	FIGS. 1 and 2; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 4
55	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 1-4; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, line 46, to column 5, line 8; column 5, lines 13-19
56	Column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
57	FIG. 2; column 3, lines 56-65
58	FIG. 2; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
59	FIG. 2; column 3, lines 56-65
60	FIG. 1; column 4, lines 8-26

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61	Column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
62	FIG. 2, column 3, lines 38-39; column 4, lines 51-53
63	FIGS. 1, 2 and 5B; column 4, line 61, to column 5, line 4
64	FIGS. 1, 2, 5A, 5B and 6; column 4, lines 27-37; column 4, lines 46-60; column 5, lines 4-8; column 5, lines 53-61
65	FIG. 2; column 3, lines 56-65
66	FIG. 2; column 2, lines 3-8; column 3, lines 56-65
67	FIG. 5A; column 5, lines 13-16
68	Column 5, lines 42-52 (incorporating by reference U.S. Patent No. 6,286,189, including the '189 patent's FIG. 6A and column 7, lines 22-31)
69	FIG. 5A; column 5, lines 13-16

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted,



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